

Labour Force Statistics ♦ May 2009

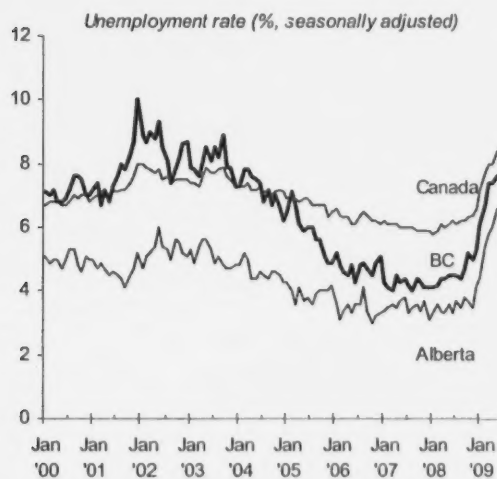
(All labour force statistics are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise indicated)

B.C.'s unemployment rate rose to 7.6%

British Columbia's unemployment rate increased again in May, rising to 7.6%. The latest increase brought the province's jobless rate to its highest level since April 2004. The number of people with jobs remained relatively unchanged from last month (+0.1%). This slight increase, together with an expanding labour force (+0.3%), was the reason for the increase in the jobless rate.

Despite the increase in the unemployment rate, B.C.'s jobless rate remains among the lowest in the country, and below the national average (8.4%). However, B.C. has the highest unemployment rate in western Canada; rates in the Prairie provinces ranged from 4.9% in Saskatchewan and Manitoba to 6.6% in Alberta.

B.C.'s unemployment rate continues to increase



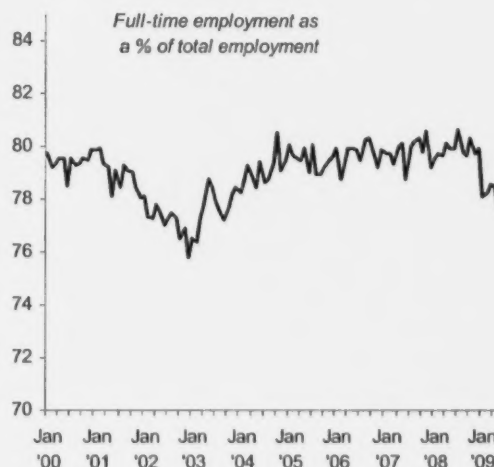
BC Stats

Part-time employment continues to grow

There were fewer full-time (-1.3%), but more part-time (+5.0%) jobs available in the province in May.

Full-time employment accounts for 77.5% of B.C.'s total employment. Part-time jobs are traditionally viewed as less desirable than full-time employment because part-time workers are often paid less than those with full-time jobs. Women are more likely to be employed part-time—one-third of women are employed part-time compared to 13.5% of their male counterparts (age 15 plus).

Full-time employment as a percentage of total employment continues to decrease



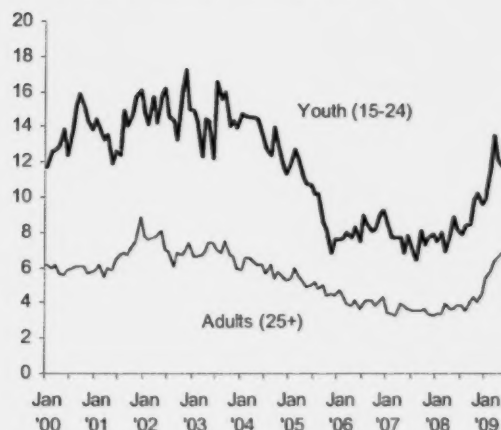
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Youth looking for summer employment more likely to face some challenges

B.C.'s youth (15-24) looking for work continued to face some challenges in the labour market. Despite an improvement in the unemployment rate in May (down to 11.7%), youth continued to face relatively high unemployment numbers compared to their older counterparts.

B.C.'s youth face high unemployment rates

Unemployment rate (% , seasonally adjusted)



BC Stats

Employment falls in the goods sector

The service sector, providing employment for more than three-quarters of workers in British Columbia expanded 0.7% in May. Public administration (+11.1%), other services (+8.7%) and retail & wholesale trade (+3.2%) posted increases. These gains were offset by losses in health care & social assistance (-3.9%) and information, culture & recreation (-2.5%).

In the goods sector, employment declined by 2.4%. Although there was a slight increase in agriculture (+3.3%), this was not enough to offset significant declines in manufacturing (-5.9%) and forestry, fishing & mining (-5.1%). Utilities (-2.3%) also showed a decrease in the number of workers.

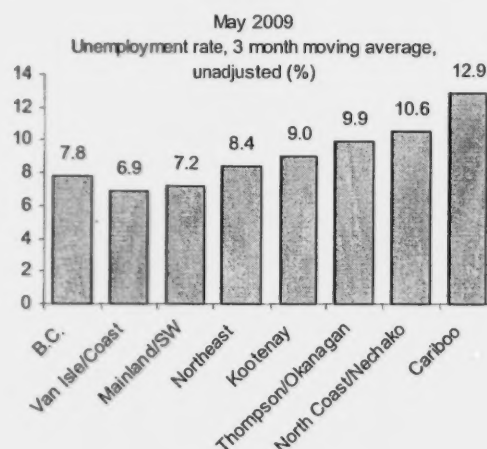
Jobless rates advance throughout B.C.

Unemployment rates were up in most regions of the province. Cariboo (3-month moving average, unadjusted) recorded the highest rate in the province at 12.9%, followed by North Coast/Nechako at 10.6%. Vancouver Island/Coast

posted the lowest unemployment rate—6.9%. Among municipalities, Kamloops (9.7%), Chilliwack (10.7%), Kelowna (11.5%), Prince George (11.6%), and Dawson Creek (15.2%) all had unemployment rates above the provincial average.

Workers in the Victoria CMA (6.6%, *seasonally adjusted*) and Vancouver CMA (6.7%) were less likely to be unemployed than those in other parts of the province. In the Abbotsford CMA, the jobless rate (7.9%) was slightly higher than the provincial average.

Vancouver Island had the lowest unemployment rate in the province



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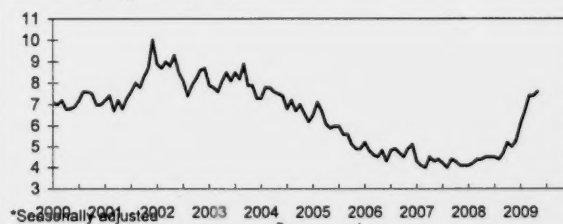
Canada's unemployment rate rose by 0.4 percentage points to 8.4% in May. There were significant job losses in Ontario, while Manitoba, Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan experienced modest increase.

Selected Statistics	May-09	Apr-09	May-08
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	7.6	7.4	4.5
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	8.0	6.1
BC Employment ('000)	2,259	2,257	2,319
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	66.1	66	66.9
May % change in employment relative to:	-	0.1	-2.6
May % change in labour force relative to:	-	0.3	0.6

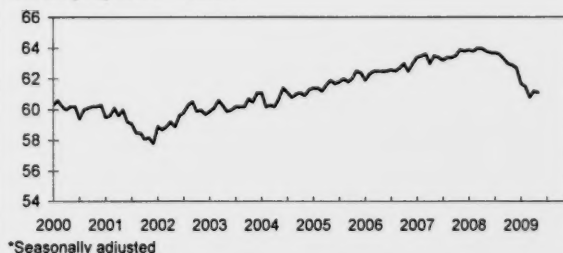
1 Summary for May 2009--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current May 2009		Previous Month April 2009		One Year Ago May 2008		Change from April 2009		Change from May 2008	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3,695.7		3,690.4		3,632.4		0.1%		1.7%	
Labour Force ('000)	2,461.6	2,443.2	2,428.2	2,437.1	2,444.1	2,428.3	1.4%	0.3%	0.7%	0.6%
Employment ('000)	2,269.2	2,258.8	2,238.1	2,257.4	2,330.0	2,318.9	1.4%	0.1%	-2.6%	-2.6%
Unemployment ('000)	192.5	184.5	190.1	179.8	114.0	109.4	1.3%	2.6%	68.9%	68.6%
Employment Rate ¹	61.4%	61.1%	60.6%	61.2%	64.1%	63.8%				
Unemployment Rate	7.8%	7.6%	7.8%	7.4%	4.7%	4.5%				
Participation Rate	66.6%	66.1%	65.8%	66.0%	67.3%	66.9%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	27,250.0		27,217.6		26,870.6		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	18,564.2	18,380.6	18,200.2	18,338.6	18,433.9	18,247.0	2.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.7%
Employment ('000)	16,952.3	16,832.2	16,645.1	16,874.0	17,289.8	17,131.6	1.8%	-0.2%	-2.0%	-1.7%
Unemployment ('000)	1,611.9	1,548.4	1,555.1	1,464.6	1,144.2	1,115.4	3.7%	5.7%	40.9%	38.8%
Employment Rate ¹	62.2%	61.8%	61.2%	62.0%	64.3%	63.8%				
Unemployment Rate	8.7%	8.4%	8.5%	8.0%	6.2%	6.1%				
Participation Rate	68.1%	67.5%	66.9%	67.4%	68.6%	67.9%				

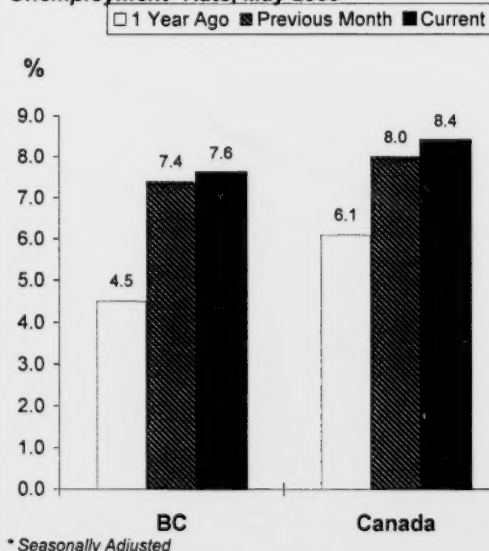
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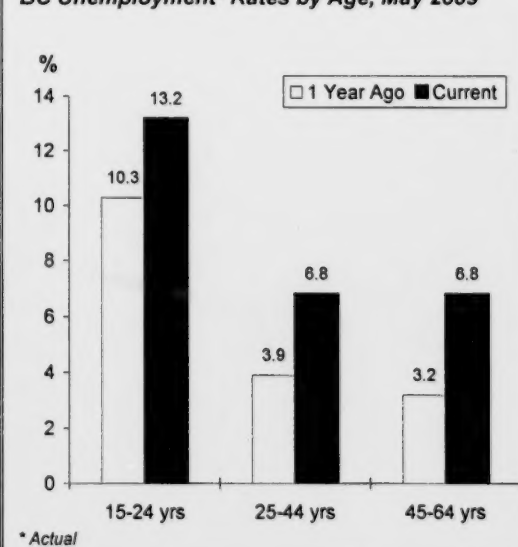
BC Employment¹ Rate*:



Unemployment* Rate, May 2009

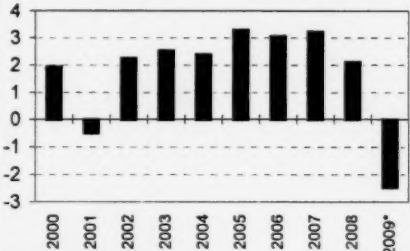
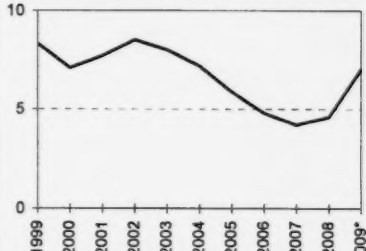


BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, May 2009



¹ Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual						% Change in Employment, Annual Avg						Unemployment Rate, Annual Average						
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate		Participation Rate			Unemployment Rate, Annual Average		Participation Rate					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)		(%)	(%)						
1999	2,064.8		1,894.4		170.4		8.3		65.1										
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1		64.8										
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7		64.0										
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5		65.1										
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0		65.6										
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2		65.5										
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9		65.6										
2006	2,305.1	1.8	2,195.5	3.1	109.6	-17.5	4.8		65.7										
2007	2,366.4	2.7	2,266.3	3.2	100.0	-8.8	4.2		66.3										
2008	2,425.9	2.5	2,314.3	2.1	111.6	11.6	4.6		66.6										
	('000)		('000)		('000)														
	% Chg*		% Chg*		% Chg*														
2008 Jan	2,381.4	2.4	2,274.3	2.8	107.1	-4.4	4.5		66.0			2,406.2		2,307.9	98.3	4.1	66.7		
Feb	2,380.8	2.4	2,275.1	2.4	105.7	2.5	4.4		65.9			2,407.1	0.0	2,306.4	-0.1	100.7	2.4	4.2	66.6
Mar	2,407.4	3.0	2,305.3	2.6	102.1	12.8	4.2		66.5			2,423.6	0.7	2,316.7	0.4	106.8	6.1	4.4	67.0
Apr	2,413.2	3.4	2,304.5	3.5	108.7	1.2	4.5		66.5			2,427.0	0.1	2,320.2	0.2	106.8	0.0	4.4	66.9
May	2,444.1	2.7	2,330.0	2.4	114.0	9.5	4.7		67.3			2,428.3	0.1	2,318.9	-0.1	109.4	2.4	4.5	66.9
Jun	2,455.3	2.6	2,354.9	2.6	100.4	2.8	4.1		67.5			2,430.5	0.1	2,319.9	0.0	110.5	1.0	4.5	66.8
Jul	2,469.1	3.2	2,350.1	2.7	119.0	13.1	4.8		67.7			2,431.1	0.0	2,321.6	0.1	109.5	-0.9	4.5	66.7
Aug	2,466.7	2.8	2,347.0	2.4	119.7	10.4	4.9		67.6			2,429.2	-0.1	2,322.7	0.0	106.5	-2.7	4.4	66.5
Sep	2,424.5	2.4	2,315.9	1.9	108.6	14.3	4.5		66.3			2,431.2	0.1	2,316.0	-0.3	115.3	8.3	4.7	66.5
Oct	2,431.2	2.2	2,312.9	1.3	118.3	25.7	4.9		66.4			2,434.6	0.1	2,309.0	-0.3	125.7	9.0	5.2	66.4
Nov	2,423.0	1.4	2,308.6	0.5	114.3	23.4	4.7		66.1			2,428.1	-0.3	2,307.4	-0.1	120.6	-4.1	5.0	66.2
Dec	2,413.6	1.5	2,292.8	0.2	120.9	34.0	5.0		65.7			2,432.5	0.2	2,302.7	-0.2	129.7	7.5	5.3	66.2
2009 Jan	2,395.3	0.6	2,233.7	-1.8	161.6	50.9	6.7		65.1			2,415.1	-0.7	2,267.6	-1.5	147.5	13.7	6.1	65.7
Feb	2,399.9	0.8	2,226.9	-2.1	173.0	63.7	7.2		65.2			2,424.4	0.4	2,262.7	-0.2	161.7	9.6	6.7	65.8
Mar	2,407.3	0.0	2,221.9	-3.6	185.5	81.7	7.7		65.3			2,420.2	-0.2	2,240.1	-1.0	180.1	11.4	7.4	65.7
Apr	2,428.2	0.6	2,238.1	-2.9	190.1	74.9	7.8		65.8			2,437.1	0.7	2,257.4	0.8	179.8	-0.2	7.4	66.0
May	2,461.6	0.7	2,269.2	-2.6	192.5	68.9	7.8		66.6			2,443.2	0.3	2,258.8	0.1	184.5	2.6	7.6	66.1
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Average:																			
Jan-May08	2,405.4		2,297.8		107.5		4.5		66.4			2,418.4		2,314.0		104.4		4.3	66.8
Jan-May09	2,418.5		2,238.0		180.5		7.4		65.6			2,428.0		2,257.3		170.7		7.0	65.9
% Change	0.5		-2.6		67.9							0.4		-2.5		63.5			

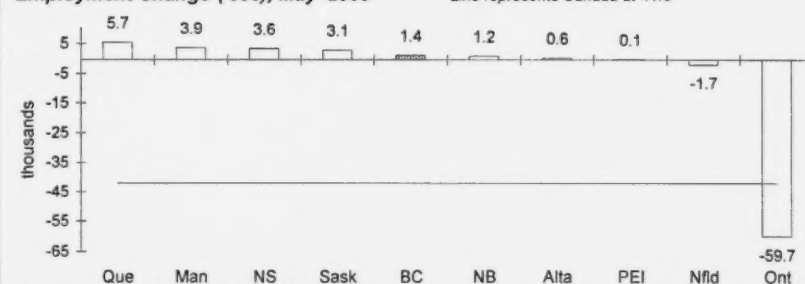
* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

3a Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

Employment Change*('000), May 2009

Line represents Canada at -41.8



* Current month over previous month (saad)

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7
2006	2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.4	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3
2007	2,266.3	1,959.4	501.8	596.5	6,593.8	3,851.7	362.8	447.6	69.3	217.1	16,866.4
2008	2,314.3	2,013.3	512.7	606.7	6,687.3	3,881.7	366.2	453.2	70.2	220.3	17,125.8

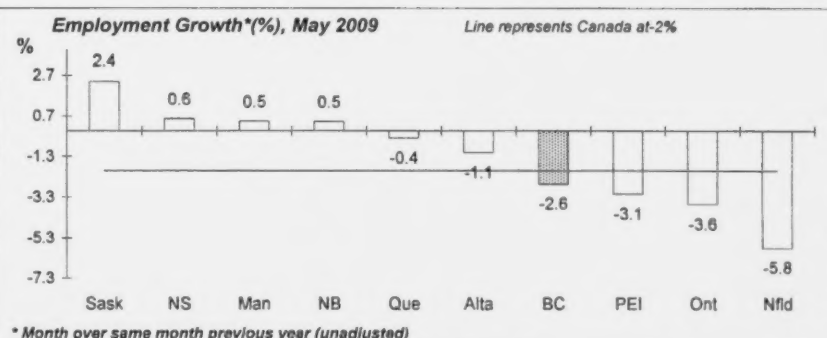
Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	2,274.3	1,970.6	496.0	591.7	6,533.8	3,785.9	350.1	436.8	65.2	206.5	16,710.8
Feb	2,275.1	1,973.6	499.8	593.3	6,595.7	3,813.6	353.8	432.2	65.6	207.8	16,810.5
Mar	2,305.3	1,987.6	500.1	594.2	6,586.4	3,809.5	352.0	436.1	66.8	207.3	16,845.2
Apr	2,304.5	1,985.1	503.1	606.6	6,629.2	3,805.8	354.7	447.0	66.5	213.0	16,915.5
May	2,330.0	2,022.5	517.5	612.8	6,774.5	3,903.0	368.7	457.8	74.0	228.9	17,289.8
Jun	2,354.9	2,056.0	521.1	620.7	6,797.4	3,984.3	381.3	469.5	77.2	237.0	17,499.4
Jul	2,350.1	2,039.5	514.9	617.5	6,758.2	3,970.9	382.4	469.9	74.5	240.1	17,417.9
Aug	2,347.0	2,032.5	519.6	612.3	6,787.2	3,938.1	381.9	463.3	76.5	233.4	17,391.9
Sep	2,315.9	2,020.2	522.5	607.0	6,718.9	3,917.5	372.8	458.4	73.0	224.1	17,230.2
Oct	2,312.9	2,035.4	521.6	609.3	6,754.6	3,912.5	371.1	462.1	70.2	221.0	17,270.7
Nov	2,308.6	2,025.1	520.7	609.0	6,665.3	3,888.8	365.2	452.4	67.3	215.3	17,117.8
Dec	2,292.8	2,011.2	516.0	606.2	6,645.9	3,850.2	360.2	452.6	66.3	209.2	17,010.5
2009 Jan	2,233.7	1,994.1	512.6	595.2	6,463.6	3,746.7	353.3	439.4	63.3	199.1	16,600.9
Feb	2,226.9	1,978.0	514.3	599.0	6,452.3	3,751.0	351.4	441.0	64.1	200.2	16,578.2
Mar	2,221.9	1,967.6	511.0	592.8	6,435.0	3,753.3	350.2	438.7	64.4	203.9	16,538.8
Apr	2,238.1	1,966.9	512.8	598.4	6,468.3	3,794.9	353.2	443.5	64.7	204.3	16,645.1
May	2,269.2	2,000.7	530.1	615.7	6,530.0	3,888.3	370.4	460.6	71.7	215.7	16,952.3
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Average:											
Jan-May08	2,297.8	1,987.9	503.3	599.7	6,623.9	3,823.6	355.9	442.0	67.6	212.7	16,914.4
Jan-May09	2,238.0	1,981.5	516.2	600.2	6,469.8	3,786.8	355.7	444.6	65.6	204.6	16,663.1
% Change	-2.6	-0.3	2.6	0.1	-2.3	-1.0	0.0	0.6	-2.9	-3.8	-1.5

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
	2,307.9	1,999.3	506.3	602.6	6,653.5	3,889.3	365.2	452.3	70.3	223.9	17,070.6
	2,306.4	1,994.6	509.7	602.0	6,690.8	3,893.0	367.6	449.4	70.6	222.5	17,106.6
	2,316.7	2,001.2	508.1	603.9	6,682.7	3,881.8	365.9	449.8	71.0	221.0	17,102.1
	2,320.2	2,007.3	509.8	611.1	6,696.8	3,867.7	366.2	452.3	70.5	223.0	17,124.9
	2,318.9	2,007.7	509.8	604.6	6,705.2	3,877.8	363.2	449.2	70.8	224.5	17,131.6
	2,319.9	2,015.8	510.0	608.2	6,682.5	3,885.2	363.5	456.0	70.7	219.0	17,131.0
	2,321.6	2,011.9	506.0	609.3	6,668.4	3,857.1	364.9	455.1	69.7	218.4	17,082.4
	2,322.7	2,006.9	513.1	605.4	6,682.9	3,861.5	366.5	452.1	70.3	218.7	17,100.2
	2,316.0	2,021.7	519.5	607.2	6,730.3	3,887.0	367.0	456.4	70.4	216.8	17,192.4
	2,309.0	2,035.2	519.7	606.9	6,719.0	3,890.2	369.2	457.5	69.7	218.3	17,194.7
	2,307.4	2,031.6	520.3	609.2	6,662.9	3,891.7	366.8	453.6	69.5	218.3	17,131.4
	2,302.7	2,022.5	520.3	609.1	6,665.2	3,884.3	366.6	453.5	69.2	217.5	17,111.0
	2,267.6	2,025.8	521.9	607.2	6,594.2	3,858.5	368.2	454.1	68.3	216.2	16,982.0
	2,262.7	2,002.1	522.5	607.9	6,558.9	3,840.1	365.3	456.4	68.6	215.0	16,899.4
	2,240.1	1,987.2	519.8	603.7	6,548.1	3,835.5	364.7	453.4	68.7	217.0	16,838.1
	2,257.4	1,992.9	520.1	604.2	6,545.1	3,857.9	364.3	449.3	68.6	214.2	16,874.0
	2,258.8	1,993.5	523.2	608.1	6,485.4	3,863.6	365.5	452.9	68.7	212.5	16,832.2
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3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4
2006	3.1	4.8	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.4	-0.3	0.6	0.7	1.9
2007	3.2	4.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.0	0.6	2.3
2008	2.1	2.8	2.2	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.5



Seasonally Adjusted											
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.7	1.9	0.2
Feb	-0.1	-0.2	0.7	-0.1	0.6	0.1	0.7	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	0.2
Mar	0.4	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.0
Apr	0.2	0.3	0.3	1.2	0.2	-0.4	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.9	0.1
May	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-1.1	0.1	0.3	-0.8	-0.7	0.4	0.7	0.0
Jun	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.6	-0.3	0.2	0.1	1.5	-0.1	-2.4	0.0
Jul	0.1	-0.2	-0.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.7	0.4	-0.2	-1.4	-0.3	-0.3
Aug	0.0	-0.2	1.4	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.7	0.9	0.1	0.1
Sep	-0.3	0.7	1.2	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.1	1.0	0.1	-0.9	0.5
Oct	-0.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.6	0.2	-1.0	0.7	0.0
Nov	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.8	0.0	-0.7	-0.9	-0.3	0.0	-0.4
Dec	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1
2009 Jan	-1.5	0.2	0.3	-0.3	-1.1	-0.7	0.4	0.1	-1.3	-0.6	-0.8
Feb	-0.2	-1.2	0.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.8	0.5	0.4	-0.6	-0.5
Mar	-1.0	-0.7	-0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.1	0.9	-0.4
Apr	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.6	-0.1	-0.9	-0.1	-1.3	0.2
May	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.6	-0.9	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.1	-0.8	-0.2
Jun											
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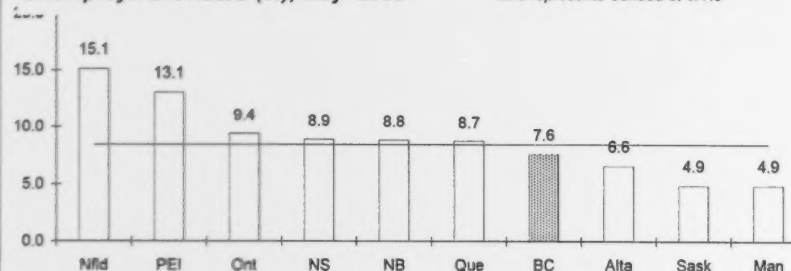
Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2006	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	7.9	11.0	14.8	6.3
2007	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.2	7.5	8.0	10.3	13.6	6.0
2008	4.6	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.5	7.2	8.6	7.7	10.8	13.2	6.1

Unemployment Rates*(%), May 2009

Line represents Canada at 8.4%



*Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted											
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	4.5	3.6	4.5	4.1	6.5	7.8	9.3	8.3	14.0	14.6	6.3
Feb	4.4	3.6	4.3	4.5	6.1	7.7	8.9	8.6	11.8	14.6	6.1
Mar	4.2	3.3	4.4	4.6	6.8	8.0	9.4	8.8	12.6	14.4	6.4
Apr	4.5	3.3	4.5	4.3	6.3	8.0	9.9	8.4	15.1	15.9	6.3
May	4.7	3.7	4.0	3.9	6.6	7.2	9.4	8.5	8.4	13.4	6.2
Jun	4.1	2.8	3.4	3.4	6.5	6.3	8.1	6.6	6.4	11.0	5.6
Jul	4.8	3.8	4.8	3.9	7.2	6.8	8.5	6.5	9.3	11.2	6.3
Aug	4.9	4.0	5.4	4.8	7.0	7.5	8.4	7.9	7.7	12.6	6.5
Sep	4.5	3.7	3.6	4.3	6.1	6.6	6.9	7.2	9.0	11.4	5.7
Oct	4.9	3.5	3.3	3.8	5.9	6.5	7.8	6.7	9.7	12.4	5.6
Nov	4.7	3.5	3.2	4.0	6.7	7.2	8.0	7.7	11.7	13.6	6.2
Dec	5.0	4.1	4.0	4.2	6.6	7.3	8.5	7.4	14.0	13.9	6.3
2009 Jan	6.7	4.9	4.6	4.9	8.2	9.0	9.8	9.9	15.9	17.2	7.8
Feb	7.2	5.9	5.2	5.3	8.9	9.0	9.7	9.9	15.4	17.7	8.3
Mar	7.7	6.1	5.2	5.4	9.5	9.7	10.9	10.3	14.0	17.1	8.8
Apr	7.8	6.4	5.4	5.0	8.8	9.3	10.4	10.3	17.3	17.9	8.5
May	7.8	7.0	4.9	4.6	9.8	8.5	9.4	9.2	11.5	15.8	8.7
Jun											
Jul											
Aug											
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-May08	4.5	3.5	4.3	4.3	6.5	7.7	9.4	8.5	12.4	14.6	6.3
Jan-May09	7.4	6.1	5.1	5.0	9.0	9.1	10.0	9.9	14.8	17.1	8.4

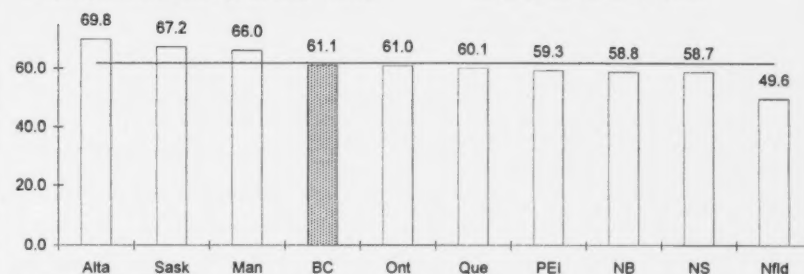
4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7
2006	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0
2007	63.5	71.5	66.8	66.4	63.6	61.0	59.2	58.6	61.2	51.2	63.5
2008	63.5	72.0	66.8	66.7	63.6	60.9	59.3	59.0	61.3	51.7	63.6
2008 Jan	63.0	71.1	65.3	65.4	62.6	59.7	56.9	57.0	57.3	48.6	62.5
Feb	63.0	71.1	65.7	65.6	63.1	60.1	57.4	56.4	57.6	48.9	62.8
Mar	63.7	71.5	65.6	65.6	63.0	60.0	57.1	56.9	58.7	48.7	62.8
Apr	63.5	71.3	65.9	66.9	63.3	59.8	57.5	58.2	58.3	50.0	63.0
May	64.1	72.5	67.6	67.5	64.6	61.3	59.7	59.6	64.9	53.8	64.3
Jun	64.7	73.6	68.0	68.3	64.7	62.6	61.7	61.1	67.5	55.6	65.0
Jul	64.5	72.8	67.0	67.8	64.3	62.3	61.8	61.1	65.0	56.3	64.6
Aug	64.3	72.5	67.6	67.2	64.5	61.7	61.7	60.2	66.6	54.8	64.5
Sep	63.3	71.9	67.8	66.5	63.7	61.4	60.2	59.5	63.4	52.5	63.8
Oct	63.1	72.4	67.6	66.7	64.0	61.2	59.9	60.0	60.9	51.7	63.9
Nov	62.9	71.9	67.4	66.6	63.1	60.8	59.0	58.7	58.3	50.4	63.2
Dec	62.4	71.2	66.7	66.3	62.8	60.2	58.1	58.7	57.5	48.9	62.8
2009 Jan	60.8	70.5	66.2	65.0	61.0	58.5	57.0	57.0	54.9	46.5	61.2
Feb	60.5	69.7	66.3	65.3	60.8	58.5	56.6	57.2	55.6	46.8	61.0
Mar	60.3	69.2	65.8	64.6	60.6	58.5	56.4	56.9	55.8	47.6	60.8
Apr	60.6	69.1	66.0	65.1	60.9	59.1	56.9	57.5	56.0	47.7	61.2
May	61.4	70.1	68.1	66.9	61.4	60.5	59.6	59.7	61.9	50.4	62.2
Jun											
Jul											
Aug											
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-May08	63.5	71.5	66.0	66.2	63.3	60.2	57.7	57.6	59.4	50.0	63.1
Jan-May09	60.7	69.7	66.5	65.4	60.9	59.0	57.3	57.7	56.8	47.8	61.3

Employment Rates*(%), May 2009

Line represents Canada at 61.8%



*Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
63.9	72.1	66.6	66.6	63.7	61.3	59.3	59.0	61.8	52.7	63.8
63.8	71.9	67.0	66.5	64.0	61.3	59.7	58.6	62.0	52.3	63.9
64.0	72.0	66.7	66.7	63.9	61.1	59.3	58.6	62.4	52.0	63.8
64.0	72.1	66.8	67.4	63.9	60.8	59.4	58.9	61.8	52.4	63.8
63.8	72.0	66.6	66.6	63.9	60.9	58.8	58.5	62.1	52.7	63.8
63.7	72.1	66.5	66.9	63.6	61.0	58.8	59.3	61.9	51.4	63.7
63.7	71.9	65.9	66.9	63.4	60.5	59.0	59.2	60.8	51.2	63.4
63.6	71.6	66.7	66.4	63.5	60.5	59.2	58.8	61.2	51.3	63.4
63.3	72.0	67.4	66.6	63.8	60.9	59.3	59.3	61.1	50.8	63.6
63.0	72.4	67.3	66.5	63.6	60.9	59.6	59.4	60.5	51.1	63.6
62.9	72.1	67.3	66.7	63.0	60.8	59.2	58.9	60.2	51.1	63.3
62.7	71.6	67.2	66.6	63.0	60.7	59.2	58.9	60.0	50.9	63.1
61.7	71.6	67.4	66.3	62.3	60.2	59.4	58.9	59.2	50.5	62.6
61.5	70.6	67.4	66.3	61.8	59.9	58.9	59.2	59.5	50.2	62.2
60.8	69.9	67.0	65.8	61.7	59.8	58.8	58.8	59.5	50.7	61.9
61.2	70.0	66.9	65.7	61.6	60.1	58.7	58.2	59.4	50.0	62.0
61.1	69.8	67.2	66.0	61.0	60.1	58.8	58.7	59.3	49.6	61.8
63.9	72.0	66.7	66.8	63.9	61.1	59.3	58.7	62.0	52.4	63.8
61.3	70.4	67.2	66.0	61.7	60.0	58.9	58.8	59.4	50.2	62.1

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Annual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2006	172.7	520.1	439.8	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.2	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.0	109.6
2007	188.2	530.3	462.6	1,210.9	15.3	19.5	14.8	50.6	174.4	467.6	395.5	1,055.4	14.4	19.3	15.4	49.4	362.6	997.9	858.2	2,266.3	29.7	38.8	30.2	100.0
2008	181.9	533.3	475.8	1,230.9	19.1	22.0	17.4	59.5	181.2	472.4	410.7	1,083.4	14.3	21.4	15.8	52.1	363.1	1,005.8	886.5	2,314.3	33.5	43.5	33.2	111.6
2008 Jan	176.8	526.5	471.6	1,209.8	18.6	24.5	15.8	59.9	171.9	478.4	397.8	1,064.5	12.7	18.8	15.3	47.2	348.7	1,004.9	869.3	2,274.3	31.3	43.3	31.2	107.1
Feb	178.8	521.7	473.4	1,207.5	15.4	26.3	14.4	57.2	175.1	477.1	400.2	1,067.6	15.7	18.7	13.8	48.5	353.9	998.9	873.7	2,275.1	31.1	45.0	28.2	105.7
Mar	180.8	529.6	477.3	1,226.1	11.9	25.2	16.3	54.3	180.2	469.7	412.4	1,079.2	11.1	19.5	16.9	47.8	361.0	999.3	889.7	2,305.3	23.0	44.7	33.2	102.1
Apr	180.4	531.3	473.6	1,221.3	17.6	25.8	17.9	62.0	176.8	471.5	415.0	1,083.2	14.0	19.5	13.2	46.7	357.1	1,002.8	888.6	2,304.5	31.5	45.3	31.1	108.7
May	180.8	532.6	475.2	1,228.0	25.6	21.9	14.8	63.7	186.1	475.1	418.0	1,102.0	16.4	19.0	14.9	50.3	366.9	1,007.7	893.1	2,330.0	42.0	40.9	29.6	114.0
Jun	187.4	533.8	484.3	1,244.9	20.3	18.9	18.2	58.8	195.3	475.0	418.7	1,110.0	12.1	17.2	12.4	41.6	382.7	1,008.7	903.0	2,354.9	32.4	36.0	30.6	100.4
Jul	199.6	536.5	483.1	1,259.4	26.0	18.8	18.4	63.5	198.1	465.0	405.1	1,090.7	17.1	20.1	18.2	55.5	397.6	1,001.5	888.2	2,350.1	43.1	38.9	36.6	119.0
Aug	208.6	541.1	480.4	1,273.5	18.5	16.1	14.0	49.1	193.3	463.3	396.6	1,073.5	15.9	29.4	24.7	70.6	401.9	1,004.4	877.0	2,347.0	34.5	45.5	38.7	119.7
Sep	173.5	541.8	478.3	1,238.1	16.0	16.1	15.7	48.8	175.2	473.1	410.1	1,077.8	15.9	26.8	15.7	59.8	348.8	1,014.8	888.4	2,315.9	31.9	42.9	31.4	108.6
Oct	173.2	535.8	478.3	1,233.9	17.7	19.8	19.4	57.0	171.9	470.6	417.0	1,079.0	17.5	26.6	15.8	61.2	345.2	1,006.4	895.3	2,312.9	35.2	46.4	35.1	118.3
Nov	173.8	535.4	469.6	1,219.7	20.6	23.2	19.3	64.7	175.1	477.9	418.9	1,088.9	14.3	19.4	15.6	49.6	348.9	1,013.3	888.5	2,308.6	34.9	42.6	34.9	114.3
Dec	168.6	534.2	464.9	1,208.4	21.5	27.8	25.1	74.5	175.6	472.3	418.1	1,084.4	9.1	22.2	13.0	46.3	344.1	1,006.4	883.1	2,292.8	30.6	50.0	38.1	120.9
2009 Jan	148.5	515.2	462.8	1,165.4	29.7	41.1	26.0	97.9	173.2	460.9	415.1	1,068.3	10.3	28.2	24.0	63.7	321.7	976.1	877.9	2,233.7	40.0	69.3	49.9	161.6
Feb	146.5	508.6	464.9	1,159.3	33.6	42.9	36.1	113.0	166.2	464.7	416.0	1,067.6	10.5	27.1	21.8	60.0	312.7	973.4	880.9	2,226.9	44.1	70.1	57.9	173.0
Mar	146.3	503.5	463.4	1,150.4	31.7	40.9	38.5	112.6	169.6	463.5	417.9	1,071.5	14.2	30.7	27.3	72.8	315.9	967.0	881.3	2,221.9	45.8	71.6	65.8	185.5
Apr	148.1	509.4	464.9	1,158.1	31.9	43.3	43.0	119.8	171.5	468.6	420.7	1,080.0	15.0	28.0	26.2	70.2	319.6	977.9	885.6	2,238.1	46.9	71.4	69.2	190.1
May	162.3	512.4	466.7	1,176.9	30.7	41.7	38.8	113.1	179.2	467.4	425.2	1,092.3	21.3	30.2	26.7	79.3	341.5	979.8	891.9	2,269.2	52.0	71.8	65.5	192.5
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Average:																								
Jan-May08	179.5	528.3	474.2	1,218.5	17.8	24.7	15.8	59.4	178.0	474.4	408.7	1,079.3	14.0	19.1	14.8	48.1	357.5	1,002.7	882.9	2,297.8	31.8	43.8	30.7	107.5
Jan-May09	150.3	509.8	464.5	1,162.0	31.5	42.0	36.5	111.3	171.9	465.0	419.0	1,075.9	14.3	28.8	25.2	69.2	322.3	974.8	883.5	2,238.0	45.8	70.8	61.7	180.5
% Change	-16.3	-3.5	-2.0	-4.6	76.9	69.7	130.3	87.3	-3.4	-2.0	2.5	-0.3	2.0	51.0	70.0	43.9	-9.9	-2.8	0.1	-2.6	44.0	61.6	101.1	67.9

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2006	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.2	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.3	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
2007	68.9	91.5	80.4	71.7	7.5	3.5	3.1	4.0	66.7	79.7	67.6	61.0	7.6	4.0	3.7	4.5	67.8	85.5	73.9	66.3	7.6	3.7	3.4	4.2
2008	67.6	91.6	80.5	71.9	9.5	4.0	3.5	4.6	68.5	80.1	68.0	61.5	7.3	4.3	3.7	4.6	68.0	85.8	74.2	66.6	8.4	4.1	3.6	4.6
2008 Jan	65.9	91.3	80.6	71.4	9.5	4.4	3.2	4.7	64.8	81.1	66.8	60.7	6.9	3.8	3.7	4.2	65.4	86.1	73.6	66.0	8.2	4.1	3.5	4.5
Feb	65.5	90.7	80.5	71.0	7.9	4.8	3.0	4.5	67.0	80.8	66.8	60.9	8.2	3.8	3.3	4.3	66.2	85.7	73.6	65.9	8.1	4.3	3.1	4.4
Mar	65.0	91.8	81.3	71.8	6.2	4.5	3.3	4.2	67.0	79.6	69.1	61.4	5.8	4.0	3.9	4.2	66.0	85.7	75.1	66.5	6.0	4.3	3.6	4.2
Apr	66.6	92.1	80.7	71.8	8.9	4.6	3.6	4.8	66.8	79.9	68.7	61.4	7.3	4.0	3.1	4.1	66.7	85.9	74.6	66.5	8.1	4.3	3.4	4.5
May	69.5	91.6	80.2	72.2	12.4	4.0	3.0	4.9	71.0	80.3	69.3	62.5	8.1	3.8	3.4	4.4	70.2	85.9	74.7	67.3	10.3	3.9	3.2	4.7
Jun	69.9	91.2	82.0	72.7	9.8	3.4	3.6	4.5	72.6	79.9	68.8	62.4	5.8	3.5	2.9	3.6	71.2	85.5	75.4	67.5	7.8	3.4	3.3	4.1
Jul	75.8	91.5	81.7	73.7	11.5	3.4	3.7	4.8	75.3	78.7	67.4	62.0	7.9	4.1	4.3	4.8	75.6	85.1	74.5	67.7	9.8	3.7	4.0	4.8
Aug	76.3	91.8	80.3	73.5	8.1	2.9	2.8	3.7	73.2	79.8	66.9	61.8	7.6	6.0	5.9	6.2	74.8	85.7	73.6	67.6	7.9	4.3	4.2	4.9
Sep	63.7	91.8	80.0	71.4	8.4	2.9	3.2	3.8	66.8	80.9	67.4	61.3	8.3	5.4	3.7	5.3	65.2	86.3	73.7	66.3	8.4	4.1	3.4	4.5
Oct	64.1	91.4	80.4	71.5	9.3	3.6	3.9	4.4	66.2	80.4	68.4	61.4	9.2	5.3	3.7	5.4	65.1	85.8	74.4	66.4	9.3	4.4	3.8	4.9
Nov	65.3	91.8	78.9	71.1	10.6	4.2	3.9	5.0	66.2	80.4	68.5	61.2	7.6	3.9	3.6	4.4	65.7	86.1	73.6	66.1	9.1	4.0	3.8	4.7
Dec	63.8	92.4	78.9	70.9	11.3	4.9	5.1	5.8	64.6	80.0	67.9	60.7	4.9	4.5	3.0	4.1	64.2	86.1	73.3	65.7	8.2	4.7	4.1	5.0
2009 Jan	59.8	91.5	78.5	69.7	16.7	7.4	5.3	7.7	64.1	79.1	68.9	60.7	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6	61.9	85.2	73.6	65.1	11.1	6.6	5.4	6.7
Feb	60.5	90.7	80.3	70.1	18.7	7.8	7.2	8.9	61.7	79.6	68.5	60.4	5.9	5.5	5.0	5.3	61.1	85.1	74.3	65.2	12.4	6.7	6.2	7.2
Mar	59.7	89.5	80.3	69.5	17.8	7.5	7.7	8.9	64.2	79.9	69.6	61.2	7.7	6.2	6.1	6.4	61.9	84.7	74.9	65.3	12.7	6.9	6.9	7.7
Apr	60.4	90.8	81.1	70.3	17.7	7.8	8.5	9.4	65.1	80.3	69.7	61.4	8.0	5.6	5.9	6.1	62.7	85.5	75.3	65.8	12.8	6.8	7.2	7.8
May	64.7	90.9	80.5	70.8	15.9	7.5	7.7	8.8	70.0	80.4	70.3	62.5	10.6	6.1	5.9	6.8	67.3	85.6	75.4	66.6	13.2	6.8	6.8	7.8
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Average:																								
Jan-May08	66.5	91.5	80.7	71.6	9.0	4.5	3.2	4.6	67.3	80.3	68.1	61.4	7.3	3.9	3.5	4.2	66.9	85.9	74.3	66.4	8.1	4.2	3.4	4.5
Jan-May09	61.0	90.7	80.1	70.1	17.4	7.6	7.3	8.7	65.0	79.9	69.4	61.2	7.6	5.8	5.7	6.0	63.0	85.2	74.7	65.6	12.4	6.8	6.5	7.4

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2006	172.7	988.2	1,160.9	17.5	38.8	56.2	176.9	857.6	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.4	78.2	109.6
2007	188.2	1,022.7	1,210.9	15.3	35.4	50.6	174.4	881.0	1,055.4	14.4	35.0	49.4	362.6	1,903.7	2,266.3	29.7	70.4	100.0
2008	181.9	1,049.0	1,230.9	19.1	40.3	59.5	181.2	902.2	1,083.4	14.3	37.8	52.1	363.1	1,951.2	2,314.3	33.5	78.1	111.6
2008 Jan	189.9	1,043.8	1,233.7	17.1	36.5	53.6	180.7	893.5	1,074.2	13.1	31.6	44.7	370.6	1,937.3	2,307.9	30.2	68.1	98.3
Feb	187.9	1,039.8	1,227.7	15.6	36.4	52.0	181.1	897.6	1,078.7	16.5	32.2	48.7	369.0	1,937.5	2,306.4	32.1	68.6	100.7
Mar	188.5	1,049.0	1,237.5	13.6	40.6	54.3	183.8	895.4	1,079.2	13.9	38.7	52.6	372.3	1,944.4	2,316.7	27.5	79.3	106.8
Apr	185.4	1,049.4	1,234.8	18.6	41.2	59.8	184.8	900.6	1,085.4	13.4	33.6	47.0	370.2	1,950.0	2,320.2	31.9	74.8	106.8
May	181.2	1,044.2	1,225.3	21.7	39.4	61.1	184.3	909.2	1,093.6	13.6	34.7	48.3	365.5	1,953.4	2,318.9	35.3	74.1	109.4
Jun	179.7	1,048.6	1,228.4	20.2	42.6	62.7	185.2	906.4	1,091.6	12.5	35.3	47.8	364.9	1,955.0	2,319.9	32.6	77.9	110.5
Jul	178.7	1,055.3	1,234.1	18.9	40.1	59.0	183.9	903.6	1,087.6	12.2	38.3	50.5	362.6	1,959.0	2,321.6	31.1	78.4	109.5
Aug	186.4	1,059.7	1,246.0	19.4	32.6	52.0	179.9	896.8	1,076.7	14.4	40.1	54.5	366.2	1,956.5	2,322.7	33.7	72.8	106.5
Sep	178.2	1,053.9	1,232.2	17.8	39.4	57.3	179.6	904.1	1,083.8	15.5	42.5	58.0	357.9	1,958.1	2,316.0	33.3	82.0	115.3
Oct	176.7	1,053.0	1,229.7	20.1	43.1	63.2	175.9	903.4	1,079.3	17.9	44.5	62.5	352.6	1,956.4	2,309.0	38.1	87.6	125.7
Nov	176.3	1,045.4	1,221.8	23.8	43.5	67.3	176.5	909.2	1,085.7	16.1	37.2	53.3	352.8	1,954.7	2,307.4	39.9	80.7	120.6
Dec	172.6	1,046.8	1,219.4	23.9	49.2	73.1	176.3	907.0	1,083.4	13.0	43.6	56.6	348.9	1,953.8	2,302.7	36.9	92.9	129.7
2009 Jan	161.6	1,029.2	1,190.8	26.2	61.8	88.0	181.2	895.6	1,076.8	11.4	48.1	59.4	342.8	1,924.8	2,267.6	37.6	109.9	147.5
Feb	155.6	1,026.7	1,182.3	31.9	71.0	102.9	174.5	905.9	1,080.4	11.4	47.5	58.9	330.1	1,932.6	2,262.7	43.2	118.5	161.7
Mar	155.0	1,010.4	1,165.4	34.5	72.3	106.9	174.9	899.8	1,074.7	17.1	56.2	73.2	329.9	1,910.2	2,240.1	51.6	128.5	180.1
Apr	154.7	1,020.6	1,175.3	31.9	78.1	110.1	178.7	903.3	1,082.0	14.2	55.5	69.7	333.4	1,923.9	2,257.4	46.1	133.7	179.8
May	161.0	1,016.2	1,177.3	27.2	82.0	109.1	176.4	905.1	1,081.5	17.5	57.8	75.3	337.5	1,921.3	2,258.8	44.7	139.8	184.5
Jun																		
Jul																		
Aug																		
Sep																		
Oct																		
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-May08	186.6	1,045.2	1,231.8	17.3	38.8	56.2	182.9	899.3	1,082.2	14.1	34.2	48.3	369.5	1,944.5	2,314.0	31.4	73.0	104.4
Jan-May09	157.6	1,020.6	1,178.2	30.3	73.0	103.4	177.1	901.9	1,079.1	14.3	53.0	67.3	334.7	1,922.6	2,257.3	44.6	126.1	170.7
% Change	-15.5	-2.4	-4.3	75.2	88.2	84.1	-3.2	0.3	-0.3	1.6	55.2	39.5	-9.4	-1.1	-2.5	42.2	72.8	63.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2006	64.6	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.8	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.2	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
2007	68.9	72.3	71.7	7.5	3.3	4.0	63.7	69.9	68.9	66.7	59.9	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.5	57.6	58.2	67.8	66.0	66.3	7.6	3.6	4.2	62.6	63.6	63.5
2008	67.6	72.8	71.9	9.5	3.7	4.6	61.2	70.1	68.6	68.5	60.2	61.5	7.3	4.0	4.6	63.4	57.8	58.6	68.0	66.3	66.6	8.4	3.8	4.6	62.3	63.8	63.5
2008 Jan	69.8	72.9	72.4	8.3	3.4	4.2	64.0	70.5	69.4	68.0	59.8	61.1	6.8	3.4	4.0	63.4	57.8	58.6	68.9	66.2	66.7	7.5	3.4	4.1	63.7	64.0	63.9
2008 Feb	68.6	72.5	71.9	7.7	3.4	4.1	63.3	70.1	69.0	69.4	60.0	61.5	8.4	3.5	4.3	63.6	58.0	58.8	69.0	66.2	66.6	8.0	3.4	4.2	63.4	63.9	63.8
2008 Mar	68.1	73.3	72.4	6.7	3.7	4.2	63.5	70.6	69.4	69.3	60.2	61.6	7.0	4.1	4.6	64.4	57.7	58.8	68.7	66.6	67.0	6.9	3.9	4.4	64.0	64.0	64.0
2008 Apr	68.7	73.2	72.5	9.1	3.8	4.6	62.4	70.5	69.1	69.5	60.1	61.5	6.8	3.6	4.2	64.8	57.9	59.0	69.0	66.5	66.9	7.9	3.7	4.4	63.6	64.0	64.0
2008 May	68.3	72.6	71.9	10.7	3.6	4.7	61.0	70.0	68.5	69.3	60.6	61.9	6.9	3.7	4.2	64.6	58.4	59.3	68.8	66.5	66.9	8.8	3.7	4.5	62.7	64.1	63.8
2008 Jun	67.2	73.0	72.0	10.1	3.9	4.9	60.4	70.1	68.5	69.2	60.3	61.7	6.3	3.7	4.2	64.8	58.1	59.1	68.2	66.5	66.8	8.2	3.8	4.5	62.6	64.0	63.7
2008 Jul	66.4	73.1	72.0	9.6	3.7	4.6	60.1	70.4	68.7	68.6	60.2	61.5	6.2	4.1	4.4	64.4	57.8	58.8	67.5	66.5	66.7	7.9	3.8	4.5	62.2	64.0	63.7
2008 Aug	69.2	72.8	72.2	9.4	3.0	4.0	62.6	70.6	69.3	67.9	59.8	61.1	7.4	4.3	4.8	62.9	57.2	58.1	68.6	66.1	66.5	8.4	3.6	4.4	62.8	63.8	63.6
2008 Sep	65.8	72.7	71.5	9.1	3.6	4.4	59.8	70.0	68.4	68.2	60.3	61.5	7.9	4.5	5.1	62.8	57.6	58.4	67.0	66.3	66.5	8.5	4.0	4.7	61.3	63.7	63.3
2008 Oct	66.1	72.7	71.6	10.2	3.9	4.9	59.3	69.9	68.1	67.7	60.3	61.4	9.2	4.7	5.5	61.5	57.4	58.1	66.9	66.4	66.4	9.8	4.3	5.2	60.4	63.5	63.0
2008 Nov	67.2	72.1	71.3	11.9	4.0	5.2	59.2	69.3	67.6	67.3	60.1	61.2	8.4	3.9	4.7	61.7	57.7	58.3	67.3	66.0	66.2	10.2	4.0	5.0	60.4	63.4	62.9
2008 Dec	66.0	72.5	71.4	12.2	4.5	5.7	58.0	69.3	67.4	66.2	60.3	61.2	6.9	4.6	5.0	61.6	57.5	58.2	66.1	66.3	66.2	9.6	4.5	5.3	59.8	63.3	62.7
2009 Jan	63.1	72.1	70.6	13.9	5.7	6.9	54.2	68.0	65.7	67.3	59.8	60.9	5.9	5.1	5.2	63.3	56.7	57.7	65.1	65.8	65.7	9.9	5.4	6.1	58.7	62.2	61.7
2009 Feb	62.9	72.4	70.8	17.0	6.5	8.0	52.2	67.7	65.2	65.0	60.3	61.0	6.1	5.0	5.2	61.0	57.3	57.8	63.9	66.2	65.8	11.6	5.8	6.7	56.5	62.4	61.5
2009 Mar	63.6	71.3	70.1	18.2	6.7	8.4	52.0	66.6	64.2	67.1	60.4	61.4	8.9	5.9	6.4	61.1	56.8	57.5	65.3	65.7	65.7	13.5	6.3	7.4	56.5	61.6	60.8
2009 Apr	62.6	72.3	70.7	17.1	7.1	8.6	51.9	67.1	64.6	67.4	60.5	61.5	7.4	5.8	6.1	62.4	57.0	57.8	64.9	66.2	66.0	12.1	6.5	7.4	57.0	61.9	61.2
2009 May	63.1	72.1	70.6	14.5	7.5	8.5	54.0	66.7	64.7	67.7	60.6	61.7	9.0	6.0	6.5	61.6	57.0	57.7	65.4	66.2	66.1	11.7	6.8	7.6	57.7	61.8	61.1
2009 Jun																											
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Average:																											
Jan-May08	68.7	72.9	72.2	8.5	3.6	4.4	62.8	70.3	69.1	69.1	60.1	61.5	7.2	3.7	4.3	64.2	58.0	58.9	68.9	66.4	66.8	7.8	3.6	4.3	63.5	64.0	63.9
Jan-May09	63.1	72.0	70.6	16.1	6.7	8.1	52.9	67.2	64.9	66.9	60.3	61.3	7.5	5.6	5.9	61.9	57.0	57.7	64.9	66.0	65.9	11.8	6.2	7.0	57.3	62.0	61.3

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
2006	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.8	306.7	1,034.5	29.6	1,750.2	445.3	2,195.5	20.3
2007	1,067.8	143.1	1,210.9	11.8	740.9	314.6	1,055.4	29.8	1,808.7	457.7	2,266.3	20.2
2008	1,086.3	144.6	1,230.9	11.7	762.5	320.9	1,083.4	29.6	1,848.8	465.5	2,314.3	20.1
seasonally adjusted												
2008 Jan	1,089.2	144.5	1,233.7	11.7	746.4	327.8	1,074.2	30.5	1,835.6	472.2	2,307.9	20.5
Feb	1,085.1	142.7	1,227.7	11.6	753.8	324.9	1,078.7	30.1	1,838.8	467.6	2,306.4	20.3
Mar	1,094.4	143.1	1,237.5	11.6	750.8	328.4	1,079.2	30.4	1,845.3	471.5	2,316.7	20.4
Apr	1,097.7	137.2	1,234.8	11.1	760.4	325.0	1,085.4	29.9	1,858.0	462.2	2,320.2	19.9
May	1,082.7	142.6	1,225.3	11.6	769.9	323.7	1,093.6	29.6	1,852.6	466.3	2,318.9	20.1
Jun	1,087.0	141.4	1,228.4	11.5	766.4	325.2	1,091.6	29.8	1,853.4	466.6	2,319.9	20.1
Jul	1,091.0	143.0	1,234.1	11.6	780.6	307.0	1,087.6	28.2	1,871.6	450.0	2,321.6	19.4
Aug	1,102.1	143.9	1,246.0	11.5	750.6	326.1	1,076.7	30.3	1,852.8	470.0	2,322.7	20.2
Sep	1,084.2	148.0	1,232.2	12.0	760.3	323.5	1,083.8	29.8	1,844.5	471.4	2,316.0	20.4
Oct	1,081.0	148.6	1,229.7	12.1	772.4	306.9	1,079.3	28.4	1,853.4	455.6	2,309.0	19.7
Nov	1,070.6	151.2	1,221.8	12.4	768.8	316.9	1,085.7	29.2	1,839.3	468.1	2,307.4	20.3
Dec	1,070.3	149.0	1,219.4	12.2	769.2	314.2	1,083.4	29.0	1,839.6	463.2	2,302.7	20.1
2009 Jan	1,032.7	158.1	1,190.8	13.3	738.9	337.9	1,076.8	31.4	1,771.5	496.1	2,267.6	21.9
Feb	1,024.0	158.3	1,182.3	13.4	745.9	334.6	1,080.4	31.0	1,769.9	492.9	2,262.7	21.8
Mar	1,015.2	150.2	1,165.4	12.9	744.9	329.9	1,074.7	30.7	1,760.0	480.1	2,240.1	21.4
Apr	1,026.0	149.4	1,175.3	12.7	746.2	335.8	1,082.0	31.0	1,772.2	485.1	2,257.4	21.5
May	1,018.5	158.8	1,177.3	13.5	731.0	350.5	1,081.5	32.4	1,749.5	509.3	2,258.8	22.5
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
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Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-May08	1,089.8	142.0	1,231.8	11.5	756.3	326.0	1,082.2	30.1	1,846.1	468.0	2,314.0	20.2
Jan-May09	1,023.3	155.0	1,178.2	13.2	741.4	337.7	1,079.1	31.3	1,764.6	492.7	2,257.3	21.8
% Change	-6.1	9.1	-4.3		-2.0	3.6	-0.3		-4.4	5.3	-2.5	

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1999	1,894.4		393.8		28.1		48.5		11.1		191.8		114.3	
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.5	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
2006	2,195.5	3.1	463.9	2.5	34.7	-10.3	43.8	16.8	8.6	-16.5	197.5	-0.4	179.3	6.7
2007	2,266.3	3.2	495.7	6.9	36.2	4.3	47.3	8.0	10.3	19.3	205.1	3.8	196.9	9.8
2008	2,314.3	2.1	501.5	1.2	33.7	-6.9	45.4	-4.0	14.2	37.9	187.4	-8.6	220.8	12.1
seasonally adjusted														
2008 Jan	2,307.9		510.4		43.2		46.8		14.6		193.0		212.8	
Feb	2,306.4	-0.1	499.8	-2.1	37.7	-12.7	46.2	-1.3	14.4	-1.4	185.5	-3.9	216.0	1.5
Mar	2,316.7	0.4	510.6	2.2	38.0	0.8	46.5	0.6	15.7	9.0	190.2	2.5	220.3	2.0
Apr	2,320.2	0.2	498.0	-2.5	35.1	-7.6	48.6	4.5	13.2	-15.9	182.2	-4.2	218.9	-0.6
May	2,318.9	-0.1	497.6	-0.1	29.8	-15.1	45.8	-5.8	12.8	-3.0	188.1	3.2	221.1	1.0
Jun	2,319.9	0.0	495.9	-0.3	32.8	10.1	43.5	-5.0	13.4	4.7	189.5	0.7	216.8	-1.9
Jul	2,321.6	0.1	503.6	1.6	31.9	-2.7	44.4	2.1	14.6	9.0	190.2	0.4	222.3	2.5
Aug	2,322.7	0.0	505.5	0.4	34.4	7.8	41.9	-5.6	15.3	4.3	186.9	-1.7	226.9	2.1
Sep	2,316.0	-0.3	511.8	1.2	31.9	-7.3	44.2	5.5	14.5	-5.2	186.0	-0.5	235.2	3.7
Oct	2,309.0	-0.3	497.6	-2.8	31.0	-2.8	42.9	-2.9	15.1	4.1	183.3	-1.5	225.3	-4.2
Nov	2,307.4	-0.1	493.7	-0.8	29.8	-3.9	45.6	6.3	13.9	-7.9	184.8	0.8	219.6	-2.5
Dec	2,302.7	-0.2	494.2	0.1	30.6	2.7	49.5	8.6	12.6	-9.4	188.0	1.7	213.5	-2.8
2009 Jan	2,267.6	-1.5	460.2	-6.9	27.6	-9.8	46.6	-5.9	12.8	1.3	169.9	-9.6	203.3	-4.8
Feb	2,262.7	-0.2	460.3	0.0	30.1	9.1	45.7	-1.9	10.5	-18.0	170.2	0.2	203.8	0.2
Mar	2,240.1	-1.0	439.0	-4.6	30.3	0.7	44.5	-2.6	12.7	21.0	163.6	-3.9	187.8	-7.9
Apr	2,257.4	0.8	458.7	4.5	33.4	10.2	40.8	-8.3	13.3	4.7	175.9	7.5	195.2	3.9
May	2,258.8	0.1	447.6	-2.4	34.5	3.3	38.7	-5.1	13.0	-2.3	165.6	-5.9	195.7	0.3
Jun														
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Nov														
Dec														
Average:														
Jan-May08	2,314.0		503.3		36.8		46.8		14.1		187.8		217.8	
Jan-May09	2,257.3		453.2		31.2		43.3		12.5		169.0		197.2	
% Change	-2.5		-10.0		-15.2		-7.5		-11.9		-10.0		-9.5	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total		Transport and Warehousing	Retail and Wholesale Trade	Finance & Related	Community and Personal Service										Public Administration				
	Service Producing Industries					Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service							
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg		
1999	1,500.5		115.9		304.8		121.0		135.8		127.3		193.3		149.1		260.8		92.5	
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
2006	1,731.6	3.2	119.5	0.7	353.7	5.7	138.0	3.8	167.6	2.4	156.0	6.8	232.2	6.8	170.5	-3.0	302.8	3.1	91.3	-4.0
2007	1,770.6	2.3	125.6	5.1	365.0	3.2	145.0	5.1	166.3	-0.8	156.1	0.1	239.7	3.2	172.7	1.3	304.3	0.5	95.9	5.0
2008	1,812.8	2.4	128.0	1.9	354.8	-2.8	147.2	1.5	174	4.6	161.6	3.5	245.6	2.5	178.1	3.1	320.5	5.3	102.9	7.3
seasonally adjusted																				
2008 Jan	1,797.5		129.4		354.2		145.1		171.2		166.2		246.3		170.6		319.7		94.8	
Feb	1,806.6	0.5	128.8	-0.5	359.0	1.4	147.9	1.9	175	2.2	156.9	-5.6	240.9	-2.2	177.6	4.1	318.1	-0.5	102.5	8.1
Mar	1,806.1	0.0	130.2	1.1	362.9	1.1	134.1	-9.3	174.1	-0.5	155.5	-0.9	240.6	-0.1	179.5	1.1	324.8	2.1	104.4	1.9
Apr	1,822.2	0.9	133.0	2.2	360.8	-0.6	142.2	6.0	177.9	2.2	162.7	4.6	233.1	-3.1	183.6	2.3	322.9	-0.6	106.1	1.6
May	1,821.3	0.0	127.1	-4.4	350.9	-2.7	150.8	6.0	175.5	-1.3	165.0	1.4	239.5	2.7	184.3	0.4	321.8	-0.3	106.5	0.4
Jun	1,824.0	0.1	131.4	3.4	356.5	1.6	144.9	-3.9	179.6	2.3	167.8	1.7	244.6	2.1	177.6	-3.6	317.3	-1.4	104.5	-1.9
Jul	1,818.0	-0.3	126.6	-3.7	349.2	-2.0	155.4	7.2	172	-4.2	163.7	-2.4	245.9	0.5	177.1	-0.3	324.9	2.4	103.1	-1.3
Aug	1,817.2	0.0	131.3	3.7	361.7	3.6	142.0	-8.6	175.1	1.8	160.4	-2.0	243.3	-1.1	177.0	-0.1	325.6	0.2	100.7	-2.3
Sep	1,804.2	-0.7	128.0	-2.5	346.7	-4.1	148.9	4.9	169.6	-3.1	158.2	-1.4	253.0	4.0	174.8	-1.2	324.5	-0.3	100.4	-0.3
Oct	1,811.4	0.4	128.4	0.3	346.6	0.0	151.2	1.5	170.1	0.3	160.9	1.7	255.3	0.9	173.4	-0.8	317.6	-2.1	108.0	7.6
Nov	1,813.7	0.1	115.3	-10.2	349.9	1.0	155.4	2.8	178	4.6	160.3	-0.4	254.8	-0.2	177.6	2.4	320.5	0.9	101.8	-5.7
Dec	1,808.6	-0.3	126.2	9.5	358.0	2.3	149.0	-4.1	170	-4.5	161.7	0.9	249.8	-2.0	183.0	3.0	308.8	-3.7	102.2	0.4
2009 Jan	1,807.4	-0.1	120.8	-4.3	351.3	-1.9	151.2	1.5	177.8	4.6	157.2	-2.8	255.3	2.2	180.6	-1.3	309.9	0.4	103.4	1.2
Feb	1,802.4	-0.3	118.0	-2.3	350.6	-0.2	148.2	-2.0	173.4	-2.5	160.6	2.2	259.4	1.6	176.4	-2.3	314.8	1.6	101.0	-2.3
Mar	1,801.1	-0.1	121.7	3.1	347.9	-0.8	139.7	-5.7	176.5	1.8	158.1	-1.6	259.8	0.2	183.6	4.1	312.7	-0.7	100.9	-0.1
Apr	1,798.7	-0.1	116.8	-4.0	360.5	3.6	132.0	-5.5	173.8	-1.5	162.4	2.7	266.2	2.5	175.6	-4.4	313.5	0.3	98.0	-2.9
May	1,811.2	0.7	114.8	-1.7	371.9	3.2	131.3	-0.5	172.4	-0.8	159.9	-1.5	255.8	-3.9	175.7	0.1	320.4	2.2	108.9	11.1
Jun																				
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-May08	1,810.7		129.7		357.6		144.0		174.7		161.3		240.1		179.1		321.5		102.9	
Jan-May09	1,804.2		118.4		356.4		140.5		174.8		159.6		259.3		178.4		314.3		102.4	
% Change	-0.4		-8.7		-0.3		-2.5		0.0		-1.0		8.0		-0.4		-2.2		-0.4	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2006	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.8	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.4	96.1	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
2007	207.3	1.1	391.8	2.3	144.9	2.3	128.2	0.6	183.7	2.2	74.9	2.6	591.8	3.7	369.2	3.2	75.0	7.4	99.5	5.7	2,266.3	4.2
2008	219.8	1.5	409.5	2.1	153.5	2.0	139.3	1.6	192.1	2.4	73.1	3.3	593.4	4.0	380.5	4.6	66.6	8.8	86.6	6.3	2,314.3	4.6
2008 Jan	202.8	1.0	410.4	1.9	157.6	2.7	131.2	2.5	202.9	1.1	76.8	1.9	570.4	4.0	366.4	4.7	72.7	11.6	83.0	8.4	2,274.3	4.5
Feb	210.2	0.8	405.1	2.7	162.1	2.4	134.8	0.9	200.8	0.9	83.5	1.4	572.0	3.7	365.9	4.2	59.0	11.5	81.8	7.0	2,275.1	4.4
Mar	222.1	0.7	397.9	1.7	155.1	2.1	134.4	1.6	194.4	1.9	77.5	1.8	586.1	3.4	380.6	3.6	64.0	8.2	93.1	8.4	2,305.3	4.2
Apr	218.8	0.9	406.0	1.5	159.9	2.9	140.5	0.9	198.6	1.7	74.0	4.0	588.1	4.0	372.9	4.3	60.5	8.6	85.3	6.1	2,304.5	4.5
May	227.6	1.0	401.0	2.3	158.0	1.1	138.8	0.7	203.5	1.3	71.8	3.6	606.5	3.9	370.6	4.7	68.3	10.7	84.0	6.6	2,330.0	4.7
Jun	235.7	1.7	420.6	1.3	152.8	0.6	148.6	1.6	196.4	1.3	59.0	4.7	598.0	3.4	385.8	4.9	70.0	7.0	88.0	4.6	2,354.9	4.1
Jul	238.6	1.7	411.6	2.0	154.8	1.6	142.3	2.2	175.4	3.4	65.2	2.8	600.7	4.8	397.6	3.9	72.6	5.2	91.2	5.2	2,350.1	4.8
Aug	225.0	2.5	425.3	1.9	159.8	2.3	139.9	2.0	161.8	11.4	69.6	3.2	600.6	4.5	399.4	3.3	81.6	5.6	83.9	3.8	2,347.0	4.9
Sep	223.7	1.8	411.8	2.6	142.9	2.5	145.5	1.8	188.7	2.4	70.3	2.6	580.9	4.2	396.2	3.5	67.3	9.4	88.6	5.0	2,315.9	4.5
Oct	215.7	1.5	416.0	2.7	143.5	2.4	135.6	1.6	198.1	1.7	72.3	5.6	588.6	4.2	396.2	4.1	62.8	10.7	84.2	6.2	2,312.9	4.9
Nov	207.1	1.8	411.6	2.0	150.4	1.4	140.0	2.2	199.5	1.5	75.5	4.1	610.1	3.8	368.0	6.3	57.1	9.4	89.6	7.8	2,308.6	4.7
Dec	210.4	2.0	396.8	2.0	145.3	2.4	140.0	1.2	184.9	2.0	81.8	3.8	618.3	4.0	366.1	7.9	63.0	8.6	86.1	6.8	2,292.8	5.0
2009 Jan	206.9	2.2	389.7	4.1	142.7	2.9	139.9	1.6	191.6	1.9	83.0	2.1	611.0	4.3	339.7	10.7	59.0	16.0	70.2	16.3	2,233.7	6.7
Feb	211.8	1.9	383.9	4.4	158.0	4.9	141.0	2.4	190.3	1.2	80.2	3.0	588.8	5.6	330.0	10.5	62.4	17.2	80.7	12.1	2,226.9	7.2
Mar	205.2	3.6	381.6	5.2	157.6	4.7	140.2	2.2	189.7	2.2	78.1	2.6	605.1	4.3	326.7	11.4	63.0	18.4	74.8	13.5	2,221.9	7.7
Apr	194.7	4.9	380.9	4.4	148.9	5.7	149.7	1.3	199.3	2.2	85.2	3.5	598.7	5.9	332.5	11.9	65.3	14.8	82.8	11.3	2,238.1	7.8
May	199.3	2.5	395.9	5.6	138.3	5.9	146.8	1.1	194.7	2.3	86.7	2.5	618.3	6.0	335.4	11.5	75.2	10.7	78.6	12.7	2,269.2	7.8
Jun																						
Jul																						
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Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-May08	216.3	0.9	404.1	2.0	158.5	2.2	135.9	1.3	200.0	1.4	76.7	2.6	584.6	3.8	371.3	4.3	64.9	10.1	85.4	7.3	2,297.8	4.5
Jan-May09	203.6	3.0	386.4	4.7	149.1	4.8	143.5	1.7	193.1	2.0	82.6	2.7	604.4	5.2	332.9	11.2	65.0	15.4	77.4	13.2	2,238.0	7.4
% Change	-5.9		-4.4		-6.0		5.6		-3.5		7.7		3.4		-10.3		0.1		-9.4		-2.6	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	Development Regions																						
	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson- Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast		
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9	
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9	
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1	
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0	
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4	
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4	
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7	
2006	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.2	3.7	82.3	4.5	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.4	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.2	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA	
2007	2,266.3	4.2	1,222.7	4.0	182.9	3.3	84.8	4.3	378.3	4.3	1,392.2	4.0	256.7	4.4	77.1	5.5	83.8	5.1	41.5	8.0	36.7	NA	
2008	2,314.3	4.6	1,241.6	4.3	190.9	3.3	88.0	4.9	394.2	4.4	1,418.3	4.2	265.0	5.5	71.5	4.8	83.1	6.5	44.1	7.7	38.0	4.8	
2008	Jan	2,286.5	4.1	1,245.2	3.7	186.2	3.0	84.9	3.6	375.8	4.5	1,417.7	3.6	253.9	4.8	73.1	4.8	88.0	5.2	41.5	8.2	36.5	NA
	Feb	2,278.9	4.2	1,239.5	3.7	185.0	3.3	83.8	4.9	378.0	5.0	1,411.1	3.7	253.6	5.3	71.8	4.4	86.5	5.8	42.1	7.3	35.8	NA
	Mar	2,284.9	4.4	1,240.4	3.8	186.8	3.2	84.4	5.6	380.4	5.2	1,412.7	3.7	257.6	5.9	71.2	3.4	84.0	6.8	43.3	7.1	35.6	NA
	Apr	2,295.0	4.4	1,238.6	3.9	190.0	2.8	85.8	5.4	386.9	4.6	1,412.8	3.9	260.7	5.6	71.6	2.5	82.9	7.7	44.3	7.9	35.8	4.3
	May	2,313.3	4.5	1,241.8	4.1	193.8	2.7	88.0	4.8	391.4	4.3	1,421.3	4.1	265.6	5.6	72.1	2.2	82.7	7.9	44.4	8.6	35.8	5.0
	Jun	2,329.8	4.4	1,243.8	4.3	195.0	2.8	88.7	4.2	395.9	3.9	1,425.2	4.2	271.5	5.1	71.3	2.5	83.5	7.0	45.4	8.5	37.0	5.9
	Jul	2,345.0	4.5	1,249.0	4.4	195.1	3.3	89.2	4.1	401.8	3.8	1,430.2	4.4	274.8	5.2	71.2	3.9	83.4	6.9	45.8	7.5	37.9	6.2
	Aug	2,350.7	4.6	1,253.4	4.5	194.0	3.7	90.8	4.1	403.3	3.8	1,433.3	4.4	275.2	4.9	70.5	5.1	83.2	7.2	46.5	7.6	38.6	6.3
	Sep	2,337.7	4.7	1,243.8	4.6	192.8	3.7	90.7	4.5	403.3	4.1	1,423.7	4.5	271.4	4.9	71.6	6.4	83.3	6.8	45.4	6.8	39.1	5.8
	Oct	2,325.3	4.7	1,240.6	4.5	191.8	3.8	90.5	4.8	401.0	4.3	1,420.3	4.4	267.3	5.4	70.1	7.0	82.5	6.4	44.3	7.7	39.8	5.0
	Nov	2,312.5	4.7	1,238.1	4.3	191.2	3.4	88.8	5.0	399.0	4.5	1,414.9	4.3	260.7	5.8	72.1	6.0	82.4	5.5	43.3	7.7	40.2	4.5
	Dec	2,304.8	4.9	1,238.6	4.4	189.2	3.6	88.2	5.2	397.2	4.5	1,411.6	4.5	259.7	6.2	72.0	7.0	81.4	5.6	42.5	8.6	40.4	3.6
	2009	Jan	2,278.4	5.5	1,225.3	4.9	184.9	3.9	87.2	5.8	390.9	5.1	1,395.0	5.1	256.9	7.0	72.4	6.7	81.7	6.1	41.9	9.3	39.6
Feb		2,251.1	6.3	1,214.1	5.6	181.3	4.9	86.3	6.7	384.4	5.9	1,381.8	5.9	255.3	7.8	70.8	8.8	78.8	7.8	40.5	9.8	39.5	4.6
Mar		2,227.5	7.2	1,210.5	6.3	178.8	5.5	84.0	7.7	380.7	6.8	1,374.3	6.6	249.9	9.1	70.7	8.9	75.3	10.0	39.5	11.1	37.2	6.5
Apr		2,229.0	7.6	1,219.9	6.7	178.9	6.0	82.9	7.8	381.0	6.9	1,382.4	6.9	246.8	9.7	71.1	9.7	73.2	12.0	38.9	10.6	35.6	6.5
May		2,243.1	7.8	1,229.8	7.0	180.1	6.2	82.3	8.0	382.5	6.9	1,392.2	7.2	249.8	9.9	71.5	9.0	73.4	12.9	39.8	10.6	33.7	8.4
Jun																							
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Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthly actual data																						
Jan-May08	2,297.8	4.5	1,239.9	4.0	189.9	3.0	85.9	5.2	385.8	4.8	1,415.6	4.0	261.6	5.7	71.8	2.4	83.6	7.0	43.6	7.9	35.8	NA	
Jan-May09	2,238.0	7.4	1,221.2	6.6	179.6	5.9	83.5	7.8	380.9	6.9	1,382.7	6.9	250.6	9.5	71.2	8.8	74.8	11.4	39.8	10.7	36.1	7.3	
% Change	-2.6		-1.5		-5.4		-2.7		-1.2		-2.3		-4.2		-0.9		-10.5		-8.8		1.0		

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Employees									
	Total Employment								Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1999	1,894.4		1,512.9		345.9		1,167.1		381.4	
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
2006	2,195.5	3.1	1,781.8	3.9	391.2	5.8	1,390.6	3.4	413.7	-0.5
2007	2,266.3	3.2	1,841.0	3.3	401.6	2.7	1,439.4	3.5	425.3	2.8
2008	2,314.3	2.1	1,886.0	2.4	421.4	4.9	1,464.5	1.7	428.3	0.7
seasonally adjusted										
2008 Jan	2,307.9		1,896.0		418.5		1,477.5		411.9	
Feb	2,306.4	-0.1	1,903.1	0.4	418.8	0.1	1,484.3	0.5	403.3	-2.1
Mar	2,316.7	0.4	1,905.8	0.1	417.6	-0.3	1,488.2	0.3	410.9	1.9
Apr	2,320.2	0.2	1,902.4	-0.2	423.6	1.4	1,478.8	-0.6	417.8	1.7
May	2,318.9	-0.1	1,910.6	0.4	434.3	2.5	1,476.2	-0.2	408.3	-2.3
Jun	2,319.9	0.0	1,894.6	-0.8	432.9	-0.3	1,461.7	-1.0	425.4	4.2
Jul	2,321.6	0.1	1,889.6	-0.3	429.0	-0.9	1,460.6	-0.1	432.1	1.6
Aug	2,322.7	0.0	1,880.4	-0.5	420.8	-1.9	1,459.6	-0.1	442.3	2.4
Sep	2,316.0	-0.3	1,861.9	-1.0	416.1	-1.1	1,445.8	-0.9	454.1	2.7
Oct	2,309.0	-0.3	1,861.2	0.0	424.0	1.9	1,437.2	-0.6	447.8	-1.4
Nov	2,307.4	-0.1	1,869.2	0.4	409.0	-3.5	1,460.2	1.6	438.3	-2.1
Dec	2,302.7	-0.2	1,854.7	-0.8	411.6	0.6	1,443.1	-1.2	448.1	2.2
2009 Jan	2,267.6	-1.5	1,815.7	-2.1	411.1	-0.1	1,404.6	-2.7	451.9	0.8
Feb	2,262.7	-0.2	1,835.8	1.1	411.1	0.0	1,424.7	1.4	427.0	-5.5
Mar	2,240.1	-1.0	1,816.8	-1.0	407.6	-0.9	1,409.2	-1.1	423.3	-0.9
Apr	2,257.4	0.8	1,828.1	0.6	409.3	0.4	1,418.8	0.7	429.3	1.4
May	2,258.8	0.1	1,827.4	0.0	416.4	1.7	1,411.1	-0.5	431.3	0.5
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Dec										
Average:										
Jan-May08	2,314.0		1,903.6		422.6		1,481.0		410.4	
Jan-May09	2,257.3		1,824.8		411.1		1,413.7		432.6	
% Change	-2.5		-4.1		-2.7		-4.5		5.4	

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Data Services at (250)387-0327 or write to BC.Stats@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate (employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC Stats on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

